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Blood donation opportunity scheduled for June 19

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, June 19 at Parkview Wabash Hospital, 10 John Kissinger Drive.

Festivals Scholarship pageant fundraiser set

The Wabash County Festivals Scholarship pageant will hold their Nelson's Port-A-Pit fundraiser from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the former Miller's Furniture building, 1100 N. Cass St.

'Painting through Miami Eyes' event set for June 20

Join Catherine Nagy Mowry, for a painting workshop from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 20 at Salamonie Lake. The class size is limited. Property entrance fees apply. This is a free event. Advance registration

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A history of problems

Carroll Street railroad crossing has been an area of concern for years

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

When Mayor Scott Long announced earlier this month he was ordering the temporary closure of the Carroll Street railroad crossing "until officials of Norfolk Southern, Paperworks and the City of Wabash can solve the continued disregard of regulatory signs," it was just the latest development in an ongoing saga involving the intersection.

An ongoing situation

Long said several semis have been stuck at the intersection, despite ample signage on either side advising semi-trucks to find another route.

"I have talked with Norfolk Southern about installing a 'Crash Beam' on both sides of the Carroll Street crossing at a height that wouldn't allow semi tractor-trailers to traverse the crossing. This has to be sent up the corporate chain for approval. These beams would allow standard vehicular traffic to use the crossing and prevent tractor-trailers from using it, damaging the trailer if attempted. Low clearance signage would be installed also," said Long.

Long said this crossing has seen numerous accidents over the years due to the "high hump" at the crossing.

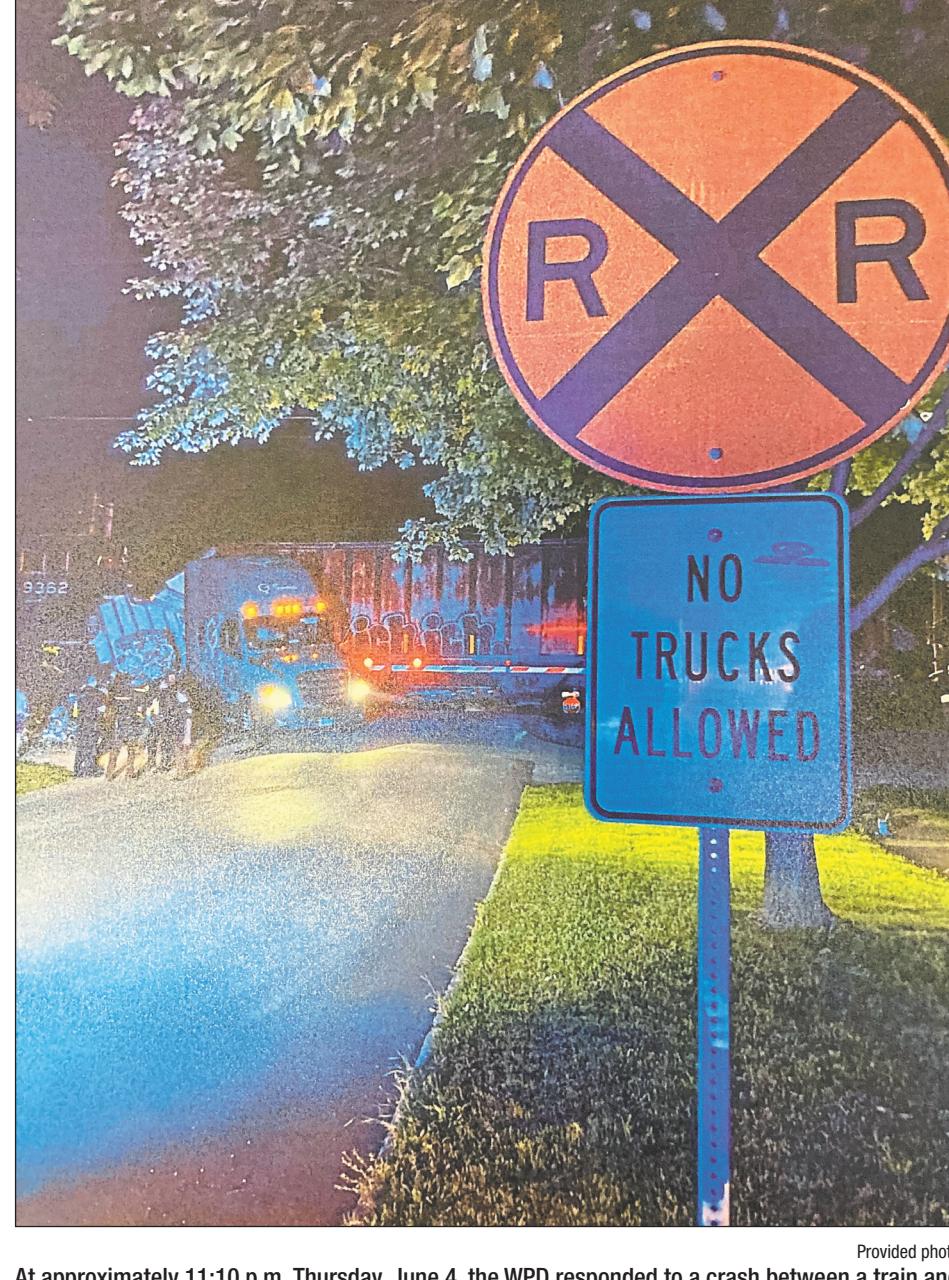
The last straws

Capt. Matt Benson, Wabash Police Department (WPD) public information officer, said over the years, "we have had many tractor-trailers get stuck on those tracks."

The final incidents which caused Long's closure of the intersection began the evening of Thursday, June 4.

At approximately 11:10 p.m. that day, the WPD responded to a crash between a train and a semi-truck at the Carroll Street railroad crossing.

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ISDH adds another local positive COVID-19 case; total now 89

The state still reports two local deaths, and now reports 1,375 tests

Staff REPORT

On Thursday, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) added another local positive COVID-19 cases, bringing Wabash County's total to 89.

The state still reports two local deaths, and now reports 1,375 tests.

Statewide on Thursday, the ISDH announced that

584 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at ISDH, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and private laboratories. That brings to 41,438 the total number of Indiana residents known to have the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day's total.

Intensive care unit and ventilator capacity remain steady. As of Thursday, nearly 37 percent of ICU

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IUPUI, ISDH release findings from second phase of COVID-19 testing

Fewer active infections, greater number of people testing positive for antibodies

Staff REPORT

Results from the second phase of a scientific study of statewide random testing aimed at measuring the spread of the novel coronavirus in Indiana show fewer active infections and a greater number of people testing positive for antibodies, according to a press release.

In its second phase, the study – a collaboration

between the Indiana State Department of Health and the Fairbanks School of Public Health – tested

more than 3,600 Hoosiers between June 3 and June 8 for viral infections and antibodies of SARS-CoV-2, the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19 disease. This number includes more than 2,700 people who were randomly selected

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Harris selected as national Democratic delegate

County party chair also running for State Representative District 18 seat

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

At the 2020 Indiana Democratic Party Convention on Wednesday, Chad Harris, Wabash County Democratic Party chair, was chosen to represent the Second Congressional District's Democrats from Aug. 17 to 21 at the Democratic National Convention in Milwaukee.

Harris won one of the five slots in the Second Congressional District's delegation to be a delegate for presumptive nominee Vice President Joe Biden.

"I am proud and honored to be able to represent the Democratic voters at the National Convention this summer," said Harris.

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VFW to hold fish fry

Limited seating will be available due to state guidelines

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The Wabash Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 286 will hold its fish fry, with some restrictions, from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, June 19 at 1078 W. Old 24, said Dan Ford.

The menu will include hand-battered fish, baked beans, coleslaw and hush puppies.

The cost is \$8 per person and is all-you-can-eat dine-in, though carry-out is available.

Ford said there will be limited seating per Gov. Eric Holcomb's guidelines.

"We will be observing capacity restrictions during governor's guidelines," stated Ford. "No seating at the bar."

Last month's dinner was the VFW Post 286's first such event since the COVID-19 pandemic reached the state. On March 19, the post was closed due to COVID-19 concerns. The original re-opening date was set for April 1, but was moved back even further on March 26.

For more information, call 260-563-2463.

Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

First Responders

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Van Buren Popcorn Festival 2020

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required, by calling 260-468-2127.

Wabash County Museum reveals re-opening plans

The Wabash County Museum plans to re-open the majority of its facility to the public Tuesday, June 23 with modified hours. The new hours will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, 36 E. Market St. The education center located on the second floor of the museum will remain closed with a targeted opening date in early July.

Drive In Summer Music Series**continues June 24**

The Honeywell Center Summer Plaza Music Series continues Wednesday, June 24 at the 13-24 Drive In, 890 N. Indiana 13. The Mississinewa Valley Swing Band is a community band, located in Grant County. The Swing Band is a 16-member ensemble that plays swing-era music at different area events. The event is free and open to the public, on a first-come, first-serve basis. Gates will open at 4 p.m. The performance will run from 5 to 7 p.m. For more information, visit 1324DriveIn.com/coming-soon/live.

'Hope House Under the Stars' fundraiser planned for June 28

To raise proceeds for a Hope House, a fundraiser called "Hope House Under the Stars," will take place from 8 to 11 p.m. Sunday, June 28 at the 13-24 Drive-In Theater, 890 N. Indiana 13. The event is free to the community and anyone interested in learning more about Hope House is encouraged to attend. The "Lego Batman" movie will be showing and children are encouraged to dress as their favorite superhero. Gates open at 8 p.m. and the movie will begin at approximately 9:35 p.m. Raffle winners will be announced before the movie. A fund at the Community Foundation has been established to receive contributions. All free-will donations will be directed to the Hope House Fund and will be used to sponsor rooms, pay salaries, and provide meals and recovery-related programming for women living in the home. The Community Foundation of Wabash County will be processing donations and administering the Hope House Fund. All donations are tax-deductible. To donate, visit www.cfwabash.org or mail a check to the Community Foundation located at 105 W. Second St., North Manchester, with Hope House in the memo line. For more information, visit www.hopehousemarion.org.

CASE

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beds and nearly 82 percent of ventilators are available.

A total of 2,304 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, an increase of 15 over the previous day. Another 187 probable deaths have been reported based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on

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Blood donation opportunity scheduled for July 8

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 8 at the Richvalley Community Center, 56 W. Mill St.

Blood donation opportunity scheduled for July 14

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 14 at the Wabash County 4-H Fairgrounds, 660 Gillen Ave.

Blood donation opportunity scheduled for July 21

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 21 at the First United Methodist Church, 110 N. Cass St.

30th Annual Wabash Co. Festivals Scholarship Pageant to be held July 24

The pageant will be held Friday, July 24, in the Ford Theater at the Honeywell Center. Anyone wishing to donate toward the scholarships may do so by sending a check to Bev Vanderpool, 73 W. Sheridan St., Wabash, IN 46992. Checks should be marked "Scholarship Pageant." The Wabash County Festivals Pageant is a nonprofit, therefore all donations are tax-deductible. For more information, visit the Wabash County Festivals Pageant Facebook page at www.facebook.com/wabashcountystatefestival or contact any of the directors.

Wabash Kiwanis Club Pancake Day rescheduled for July 25

After being rescheduled for a second time, the Wabash Kiwanis Club will once again host its annual Pancake Day for Saturday, July 25. After a year at the Wabash Presbyterian Church, Pancake Day will

return to the newly renovated Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds, located just off of Gillen Avenue in Wabash. Pancakes, with or without blueberries, will be available, along with sausages and refreshments. Tickets will be \$8 at the door and \$7 in advance for adults 13 and older and \$5 at the door and \$4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 and younger. Sponsorship opportunities for businesses are available by emailing Kiwanian Donna Siders at donnasiders@hotmail.com or calling 260-571-1892. Sponsors would receive complimentary tickets to the event and on-site recognition in exchange for their support.

The event's Pancake Eating Contest, sponsored by Midwest Eye Consultants, will take place that day at noon. The Club's president, Mike Keaffaber, is the event's chairperson for 2020. Those who have questions or ideas regarding the event may email Keaffaber at keaffaber@msdwc.k12.in.us.

Clark Gallery to feature 2020 themed art exhibit

The Clark Gallery in the Honeywell Center will host its 2020 Themed Art Competition titled "Dreams" through Sunday, Aug. 16. Accepted and featured entries can be picked up after the exhibit from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 17. For more information, visit HoneywellCenter.org/dreams.

'Liking for Biking' riding series takes to the road for the fourth year

Through Aug. 28, anyone who is interested in a "free, family-friendly" 60-minute bike ride is invited to meet at Paradise Spring Historical Park's upper pavilion at 8:45 a.m. each Saturday. Volunteers from the Spikes and Bikes Bike Club and the Rock City Bike Club have offered to lead the weekly rides in a "fun and engaging atmosphere." Those interested in participating or volunteering for the ride can get more information by going online to www.visitwabashcounty.com/adventure-series or by calling the Welcome Center at 260-563-7171.

Laketon American Legion open

The Laketon American Legion is open from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily serving breakfast and lunch, except for Friday, when it is closed.

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reported.

Any Hoosier seeking COVID-testing can obtain it through one of the state-sponsored Optum-Serve sites, regardless of whether they are at high risk or have symptoms. To find testing locations around the state, visit www.coronavirus.in.gov and click on the COVID-19 testing information link. More than 200 locations are available around the state.

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record. Deaths are reported based on when data are received by ISDH and occurred over multiple days.

To date, 384,722 tests have been reported to ISDH. That total includes 10,701 new tests reported since Wednesday and 2,936 historical negative results from a lab that was recently connected to ISDH's electronic reporting system. All positive results from this lab had already been captured and

body positivity improved in Phase 2, researchers continued to see disparities among minority communities. These groups still show evidence of being harder hit with coronavirus infections, Menachemi said.

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TESTING

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and almost 1,000 volunteers recruited through outreach to vulnerable populations in Marion, Allen and LaGrange counties.

After analyzing the results of Phase 2 testing in comparison to the results of the first phase that took place in late April, IUPUI researchers determined that the statewide estimate for active infection rate was 0.6 percent – a sharp decrease from the 1.7 percent observed in Phase 1. The estimate for antibody positivity in Phase 2 was 1.5 percent – an increase from 1.1 percent from the Phase 1 results.

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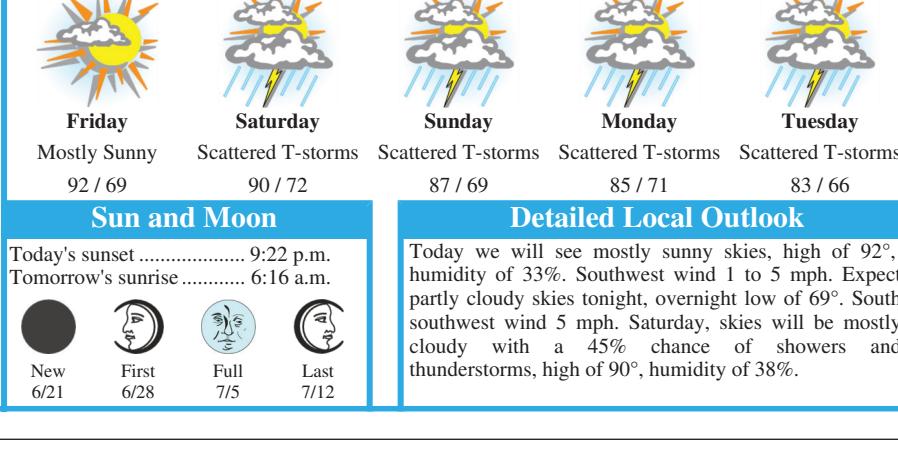
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5-Day Weather Summary**Prediabetes diagnosis should offer wake-up call**

DEAR DOCTOR: After my last physical, my doctor said my lab tests show I've got prediabetes. What does that mean? Do I or don't I have diabetes?

DEAR READ-

ER: A diagnosis of prediabetes means that your blood sugar levels are elevated beyond the normal range, but are not yet high enough to be considered

Type 2 diabetes.

And the key word here is "yet." Prediabetes is a clear warning sign by the body that, without certain lifestyle changes, you run the risk of developing Type 2 diabetes.

Sometimes also referred to as adult-onset diabetes, Type 2 diabetes is a condition in which the body loses the ability to respond to insulin, a hormone produced by the pancreas. Insulin's job is to move glucose from the blood into the cells, where it is used for energy.

When someone has diabetes, it means that glucose builds up in the blood. A high level of blood glucose causes a range of damage over time, including decreased immune function and harm to the nerves, eyes, heart and kidneys. In fact, diabetes is a leading cause of kidney failure that leads to dialysis or even the need for a transplant. It is also linked to atherosclerosis, sometimes referred to as hardening of the arteries, which raises the risk of heart disease, heart attack and stroke. Although the reasons why some people develop prediabetes and Type 2 diabetes while others do not are unclear, evidence suggests that genetics and family history play a role.

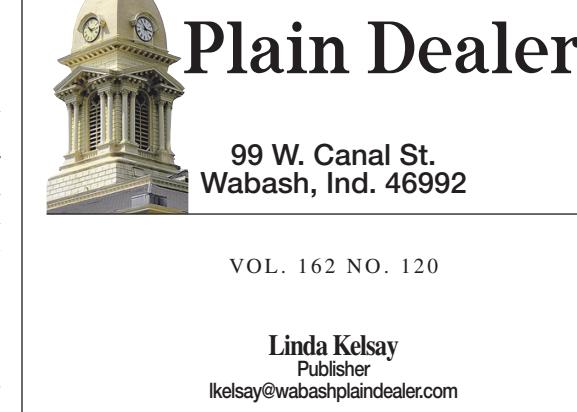
The conditions appear more often in overweight individuals who carry excess fat around the abdomen, and in those who are sedentary.

For most people, the shift from normal insulin function to Type 2 diabetes is gradual. With a diagnosis of prediabetes, you've now reached the in-between stage. The insulin your body produces is still doing its job, but not

well enough. Although it's sending some of the glucose gleaned from digestion on to the cells, it's leaving too much behind in the blood. Not everyone has physical symptoms of prediabetes. Those who do may experience persistent thirst, frequent urination, unexplained fatigue, blurred vision and increased hunger. Anyone who notices the onset of these symptoms should see their health care provider.

The good news is that with this advanced warning, you have time to make changes that can reduce the chances of your condition progressing to a Type 2 diabetes diagnosis. Start by adjusting your diet. Skip the added sugars and simple carbs and focus on lean proteins, fresh vegetables, leafy greens, grains, legumes and fresh fruit. Choose healthful fats, and limit their use. Being active is important to all areas of good health. Adults are urged to get at least two to three hours of moderate exercise per week. And remember, excess weight is linked to diabetes risk, so it's important to reach and maintain a healthful weight. If you haven't done so already, follow up with your doctor to make a plan to mitigate your diabetes risk and to continue to monitor your condition.

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Evelyn Mullett Niswander

Evelyn Mullett Niswander, 102, North Manchester, Indiana, passed away June 15, 2020 at Timbercrest Health-care Center, North Manchester.

The loving memory of Evelyn Mullett Niswander will be forever cherished by her sons, Ray Niswander Jr., Worthington, Ohio and Mark Niswander, Mahomet, Illinois; daughters, Sue (Clif-

ford) Myers, Hershey, Pennsylvania and Jan (Phillip Wilt, Romeoville, Illinois; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother, J. Lorrel Mullett; and sister, Anna Ruth Balmer.

A graveside service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary.

Esther Ruth Wagner

Funeral Services for Esther Ruth Wagner, 84, of rural North Manchester, Indiana, were 10:00 am, Thursday, June 18, 2020, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Rev. Larry Wade officiated and Janene Dawes was the musician.

Memories shared by her son, Mark Wagner and friends. Pallbearers were her grandson Eli Mattern, Dennis Harvey, Brad Wagner, John Myers, Mike Schuler, and Tom Haupert. Burial was in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash.

CROSSING

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Benson said WPD investigated the crash and allege that Rite R. Lett, 64, Olympia, Washington, was driving a 2019 Freightliner semi with trailer.

"WPD officers report that the semi got stuck on the high hump at the Carroll Street railroad crossing. A Westbound Norfolk Southern train collided with the semi-trailer that was stuck on the tracks. The railroad tracks were out of service for several hours and cleanup of debris went through the night and into the morning of Friday, June 5. During this crash, there were no injuries."

WPD officers were assisted by the Wabash County Sheriff's Department, Wabash City Fire Department, Norfolk Southern Police, H&K Wrecker Service, Wendt & Sons and employees from Paperworks.

But, just over 12 hours after that crash, trouble found its way to this crossing again.

Benson said at approximately 11:45 a.m. Friday, June 5, WPD officers responded to another semi-tractor-trailer stuck on the railroad crossing at Carroll Street.

"Norfolk Southern was immediately contacted and the train was stopped. There are signs posted at this crossing that no trucks are allowed," said Benson.

Benson said this was far from the first train crash they've had there.

"We help tractor-trailers daily get through the city even when there is no construction. The construction is causing most commercial drivers problems due to navigating themselves through the city. There have been signage for years and some drivers do not see it or do not pay attention to it," said Benson.

Neighbor complaints

Erin Sapusek lives right next to the Carroll Street railroad crossing.

Sapusek said the intersection is a source of irritation because often semis loaded and unloaded will attempt to cross the railroad crossing despite the posted signs.

"And when they do sometimes they'll make it. It's like half and half," she said. "If they're not loaded, if they're not filled with weight, then they will be able to gun it over. But, if they're carrying anything they try to gun it over and then they'll get stuck."

Sapusek said what usually happens is that truckers that will come up to the crossing, see the sign, stop and then back out.

"Which is even more irritating because then sometimes

DELEGATE

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In December 2019, Harris announced his candidacy for the delegate position.

Indiana will send 108 individuals to the 2020 DNC: 55 district-level delegates, 18 at-large delegates, nine party leaders and elected officials (PLEO) delegates, seven automatic delegates. Also, the Indiana Democratic Party will send six at-large alternate delegates, nine standing committee members, three pages

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CHAD HARRIS

and one delegation chair. Harris has been involved in many local, and state campaigns since 1999. Harris has been a state delegate to the 2012, 2014, 2016 and 2018 state conventions.

In 2013, Harris was chosen to be a member of the Indiana Democratic Party's Emerg-

ing Leaders Project. He was one of only 40 people under 40 selected for the year-long training program.

In 2014, Harris ran unsuccessfully for Wabash County Council Second District seat.

Harris has been chairman of the Wabash County Democratic Party since

February 2016.

Also, during the primary election earlier this month, Republican Craig Snow defeated Russell (Russ) Reahard for their party's nomination to succeed State Representative District 18's retiring Rep. David Wolkins, R-Warsaw. Snow's opponent in the November general election will be Harris, who ran for the Democratic Party's nomination unopposed.

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Adult stepson's presence creates tension in home

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been married five months. Her 40-year-old son lives in our basement. He has a job, but I have no idea if he pays rent. If he doesn't, it really doesn't bother me.

What does bother me is that

Dear Abby

at his age, he should be out on his own by now. He's trying to pay off school loans, which I understand. However, he is the one who incurred these bills. All he had to do was finish his dissertation and he would have had his doctorate. Instead, he quit school and doesn't plan on going back.

My wife doesn't think she's an enabler, but I disagree. It's getting very hard for me to put up with this situation. — Upset In Colorado

DEAR UPSET: Much depends upon the reason your wife's son quit school instead of getting that doctorate. I wish you had mentioned whether he has been living in his mother's house since childhood, or if this is something relatively recent. He may have emotional or mental health issues that need addressing.

Because this is creating friction in your marriage, it may be something you and your wife should talk through with the help of a licensed marriage and family therapist.

DEAR ABBY: I am 30 years old and single. I met this guy while I was working downtown three or four months ago. He is almost twice my age. At first I didn't think of him as more than just a customer, but he's very attractive for his age.

One day last month he told me he had lost his phone during my shift, so I asked him to give me his number so I could call him in case somebody found his phone, which I did. Later that night he called me asking, "Who is this?" so I told him who I was. We have been talking ever since and I have been spending every weekend at his house.

I'm starting to think I can see a future with this guy because I feel butterflies in my stomach. I like how things are between us. I care about him and maybe want more one day. What should I do? — Liking An Older Man

DEAR LIKING: What you should do is continue exploring a relationship and find out if he feels the same way you do. But the two of you should take things slowly and discuss the age difference before making any commitments. Although his age isn't necessarily a deal-breaker, it is significant.

DEAR ABBY: Am I hoping for too much with my husband of 40-plus years? In the evening, we (or I) watch TV, and he's very agreeable to "watch" anything — mostly because he hardly watches at all. He's playing games on his iPad and glancing at the TV. He'll ask questions occasionally about the characters or the plotlines, but it's obvious he's not following. For some reason, I find it disappointing that he's not really watching, even if it's something he's shown an interest in or selected. Should I just be grateful he's in the same room with me and alive? — Feeling Solo In California

DEAR FEELING SOLO: Focusing on gratitude that you are together doing things you both enjoy is healthy. If you don't care for the program he isn't watching, feel free to change the channel to something you prefer. However, the two of you should make a point of doing something together in which you are both fully engaged because if you do, it will bring you even closer to each other.

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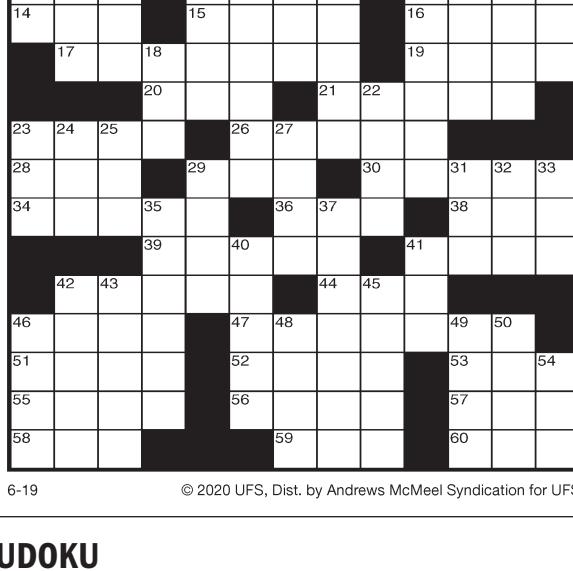
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VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES

Asbury Country Church

At the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, June 21 at Asbury Country Church, the worship and music leader will be Amy Bullick, piano will be by Roger Marine and the morning message, "Two Times Told," will be by Pastor Mike Bullick. Sunday school will be at 9:30 a.m.

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting www.bachelorcreek.com.

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Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

College Corner Brethren Church

Pastor Joe Bellone's sermons are posted (with handouts) on both Facebook and YouTube under "College Corner Brethren Church."

Dora Christian Church

If you can't make it to services, the sermon will be posted on the Dora Christian Church Facebook group Sunday morning for all to see.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church will be streaming the Sunday morning worship service for the next few weeks at 10 a.m. through Facebook at facebook.com/wabashfirstmc

LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at www.lafontainechristian.com under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is live-streaming on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church> and that it may be accessed as a video afterward.

Living Faith

Lutheran Church

Online services only at www.livingfaithwabash.org.

Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting www.manchesterccb.net. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, "Manchester CoB YouTube Channel." After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live-stream in the same way. Another way to access the live-stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search "Manchester Church of the Brethren," and click on the circle profile (peace poll in front of the white flowering bush).

North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebrena Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed

by visiting NMMC1.com.

Olive Branch

Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch or through the church website www.olivebranch.church. Click "Live Streaming" at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

St. Bernard

Catholic Church

Masses have resumed with safety restrictions. Parishioners 65 and older are urged to stay home, and those attending are asked to observe 6-foot safety distance and all must wear a face mask. Masses are set for 5:30 p.m. Saturdays and 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

Southside

Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook Page.

Sweetwater

Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to www.urbanyakopeparish.com. Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select "Worship Videos." The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

Wabash Church of the Brethren

At the Wabash Church of the Brethren, Pastor Doug Veal is holding a Zoom meeting each Sunday for worship. The

meeting is open at 10:15 a.m. so that everyone can be connected by 10:30 a.m. Join this church service by visiting <https://zoom.us/j/393263884> or by calling 312-626-6799 and enter meeting ID No. 393 263 884.

Wabash

Christian Church

Streaming both on their website at wabashchristian.org and Facebook.

Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for "Wabash Nazarene" or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit www.wabashnaz.com, look for the home page, and find "Latest Sermon."

Walk By Faith

Community Church

Pastor Greg Wilburn of Roann's Walk By Faith Community Church says to access his online sermons at www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com.

Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at www.facebook/zionwabash at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

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Study ties blood type to COVID-19 risk; O may help, A hurt

By MARILYNN MARCHIONE

AP Chief Medical Writer

Most genetic studies like this are much larger, so it would be important to see if other scientists can look at other groups of patients to see if they find the same links, Topol said.

Many researchers have been hunting for clues as to why some people infected with the coronavirus get very ill and others, less so. Being older or male seems to increase risk, and scientists have been looking at genes as another possible "host factor" that influences disease severity.

There are four main blood types – A, B, AB and O – and "it's determined by proteins on the surface of your red blood cells," said Dr. Mary Horowitz, scientific chief at the Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research.

People with Type O are better able to recognize certain proteins as foreign, and that may extend to proteins on virus surfaces, Horowitz explained.

During the SARS outbreak, which was caused by a genetic cousin of the coronavirus causing the current pandemic, "it was noted that people with O blood type were less likely to get severe disease," he said.

Blood type also has been tied to susceptibility to some other infectious diseases, including cholera, recurrent urinary tract infections from *E. coli*, and a bug called *H. pylori* that can cause ulcers and stomach cancer, said Dr. David Valle, director of the Institute of Genetic Medicine at Johns Hopkins University.

Bottom line: "It's a provocative study. It's in my view well worth publishing and getting out there," but it needs verification in more patients, Valle said.



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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Gospel Light Assembly of God, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

Sweetwater Assembly of God, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.

BAPTIST

Emmanuel Free Will Baptist, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

Southside Free Will Baptist, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

Wabash Free Will Baptist Church, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

CATHOLIC

St. Bernard Catholic Church, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses will resume, with safety restrictions, beginning May 23-24, 2020. Parishioners 65 and older are urged to stay home, and those attending are asked to observe 6' safety distance and all must wear a face masks. Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Main Street in Lagro. Holy Mass 12:30pm the 1st Sunday of the month except January and February.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christian Heritage Church, 2776 River Road. (260) 774-3016. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. No Services at Church. Live broadcast Sunday Morning at 8:30am 95.9 KISS FM

LaFontaine Christian Church, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Sunday School 9am, Worship 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

First Church of God, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

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Wabash Christian Church, Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Rev. Haley Asberry, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on Facebook. Services streaming on our website and Facebook.

FRIENDS CHURCH

Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S State Rd 13, Wabash. Traditional Worship, 8:30am. Contemporary Worship, 10:45am. Sunday School, 9:30am. Currently only doing virtual services on Sunday morning at 10am until June 14th. Join us at <https://www.facebook.com/wabashfriendschurch/>

INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Solomon David, Lead Minister; Michael Eaton, Worship Minister; Ken Goble, Senior Adults Minister; Taylor McSarland, Women's Director; David Diener, Student Minister; Tyler Leland, Children's Minister; Nate Tlyer, Youth & Outreach Minister; Ryan Keim, Next Step Minister; Janet Legesse, Early Childhood Director. NOW OFFERING 2 SERVICE TIMES. Adult Bible Fellowship & Worship, 9:15am, 10:45am. ONLINE SERVICES ONLY

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Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC), 242 S Huntington St. Wabash IN. Pastor Tom Curry. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 am with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship and a time of fellowship after each service. Wednesday evenings include soup supper at 6:00 pm followed by an informal service at 7:00 pm. www.LivingFaithWabash.org ONLINE SERVICES ONLY

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com

UNITED METHODIST

First United Methodist Church, 110 N Cass Street. Senior Pastor Nathan Whybrow, Pastor of Visitation Rev. John Cook. Youth Pastor Nick Smith. Director of Children's Ministry Angel Hostettler. (260) 563-3108. Sunday Schedule: 8 & 10am Worship Service. 9am Teen & Adult Sunday School & Children's faith learning. 10:15am Sunday School for Pre-School thru 5th Grade following Children's Message (except for 1st Sunday each month). First Friends Early Learning Ministry: age 4 weeks thru 12 years 6am to 6pm weekdays. Carolyn Satterfield, Director. Wesley Academy Pre-School: age 3 through Pre-K. Susan Vanlandingham, Director. Service streaming on our Facebook page.

North Manchester United Methodist Church, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Mark Eastway. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

Richvalley United Methodist Church, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all ages. "NO SERVICES UNTIL RESTRICTIONS LIFTED"

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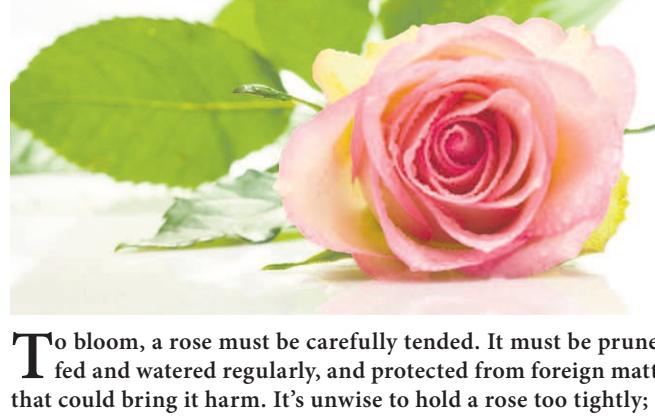


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Daily Bible Reading

Romans 12:1-21 Romans 13:1-14 Romans 14:1-23 1 Cor. 12:1-11 1 Cor. 12:12-31 1 Cor. 14:1-25 1 Cor. 14:26-40

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